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Office of Dietary Supplements VDSP Commutability Study 2

SUMMARY: NIH Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), in collaboration with the College of American Pathologists (CAP) and Vitamin D External Quality Assessment Scheme (DEQAS), announce that as part of the Vitamin D Standardization Program (VDSP), they are recruiting laboratories to participate in a study of the commutability of pooled serum samples used in assays to measure total 25-hydroxyvitamin D [25(OH)D].

DATE: The expected start date for the study is June 2015.

ADDRESS: For more information about the study and to let us know if you are interested in participating, please contact us at: vdsp@mail.nih.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The objective of the study is to promote the standardized measurement of total 25(OH)D by evaluating the commutability of NIST Standard Reference Materials® (SRM) used as “trueness” controls and the materials used in the major

Performance Testing/External Quality (PT/EQA) programs administered by CAP and DEQAS.

Who Can Participate: (1) All commercial manufacturers of 25(OH)D assays (requests from manufacturers with assays in development will be considered); (2) Clinical and research laboratories using a commercial assay platform; (3) Laboratories for national/subnational nutrition surveys; and (4) Laboratories using in-house developed assays.

For details about the study design and time lines, see the recently published paper in the February 2015 edition of Clinical Laboratory News,

<https://www.aacc.org/publications/cln/articles/2015/february/vitamin-d-commutability-study>).

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